



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Attorney Docket No.: 1725.123US02

Cumeralto et al.

Confirmation No.: 3896

Application No.: 09/911,840

Examiner: Tran, Khanh C.

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Group Art Unit: 2631

For: SPREAD SPECTRUM METER READING SYSTEM UTILIZING LOW-SPEED
/HIGH-POWER FREQUENCY HOPPING

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of one (1) month (from February 28, 2005 to March 30, 2005) within which to respond to the Office Action dated November 30, 2004 is requested. A check in the amount of \$120.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Please grant any extension of time necessary for entry; charge any fee due to Deposit Account No. 16-0631.

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